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Warm Greetings to Everyone!

August will be another busy month filled with town activities. The next meeting of the Town Board is scheduled for Monday, August 13th at 7:00 p.m. Some of the items that will be covered at this meeting include: zoning officer's report, town clerk's reports, supervisor's report, public hearings on Zoning District Changes and Moratorium on Wind Turbines, town hall building committee report, and park committee report. The Town Board Agenda meeting will be held on Thursday, August 9th at 7:00 pm.

The Town Hall Building Committee has been reviewing details related to the former Corner School as a site for the town hall. An appraisal is being completed and other details related to the building are being investigated.

We are starting the budget process by reviewing current levels of expenditures and needs for next year.

The Town Park Committee met on July 31st. They are working on issues that include: uses of the park, cleaning up the land, arranging title transfer, establishing a budget, reviewing safety concerns, and creating an agreement between the Town of Saratoga and Northumberland. The next Town Park Committee meeting is scheduled for August 28th at 7:00 pm. The town owned Old Champlain Canal towpath south of Wilbur Road is being cleared of brush and prepared as a walking path.

Highway Department

Highway Superintendent David Hall reports that the Homestead Road and Beaver Street repaving project is complete. Swamp Road will be closed from August 7th through August 13th so that a new culvert can be installed. Sweet Road is scheduled for repaving next year. All town roads are currently being mowed for the third time.

Town Swim Program

Jeannie Duval, Program Director of the Town Swim Program, reports that the Learn to Swim Program is going well with over 130 children enrolled in the program.

Saratoga Lake Association News

The Saratoga Lake Association conducted their annual meeting at Panza's on Rt. 9P on Thursday, July 26th at 7:00 pm. Items discussed included: meetings with town supervisors, Update on Saratoga Lake as a source of water for Saratoga Springs, budget for next year, election of officers, SLPID report, and Route 9P bridge. The official website of the association is www.saratogalake.org.

Turning Point Festival

The third annual **Turning Point Festival** will take place on Saturday and Sunday, August 4th and 5th. On Saturday at Fort Hardy Park there will be food and craft vendors, carnival mini-rides, games, exotic animals, pony rides, classic and antique cars, dog agility demonstrations, a Farmer's Market, and more. Entertainment and live music will be ongoing from 1:00 pm on. There will also be an old fashioned street dance from dusk to 11:30 pm. On Sunday morning at 9:00 am the 5K Turning Point Race will start at Saratoga Spa Park. Be sure to attend the Turning Point Parade in Schuylerville on Sunday, August 6th. The Parade starts at 1:00 PM and will travel the length of Broad Street. Family activities will continue at Fort Hardy Park shortly after the parade. The celebration will conclude with fireworks at Fort Hardy beginning at dusk.

18th Century Day at the Schuyler House

The annual 18th Century Day will be held at the Schuyler House on Sunday, August 12th. The program will start at 12:00 noon and continue until 5:00 pm. Activities scheduled for the day include tours of the Schuyler House, colonial music, militia drills, and demonstrations by over twenty-four 18th century craftsmen. The program is sponsored by the Old Saratoga Historical Association and the Saratoga National Historical Park. Please make an effort to attend.

18th Century Day Chicken Barbecue

On Sunday, August 12th The Old Saratoga Reformed Church will conduct their annual Chicken Barbecue at the church on Pearl Street from 1:00 – 4:00 pm. The meal includes: ½ chicken, baked potato, Dutch Kraut, celery & carrots, rolls, homemade cakes, and beverages. The cost for adults is \$8.00, children ages 5-12 are \$4.00 and children under 5 are free. Walk ins are welcome but reservations are recommended. Call 695-6638 or 695-6187 for reservations. Takeouts are available.

Historical Week Activities

A full week of activities are scheduled from Sunday August 5th to Sunday August 12th. Events include walking tours, concerts, Visitor's Center program on old mills in the area, library ancestry research, and 18th Century Day events at the Schuyler House. See the calendar for details.